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Sharing ideas across 26 U3As in Nottinghamshire

PEER GROUP S

Coming soon :- Peer Support Groups hosted by :-

Southwell U3A –Speaker Seekers Early 2018

Keyworth U3A - Classical music, Book group & Italian Late 2017/Early 2018

If your U3A would like to host a Peer Group event please contact Paul Martinez pkmartinez14@gmail.com

NEWS FROM YOU

Developing expertise without an expert Three years ago, Carlton and Gedling U3A wanted to start a Classical Music Study Group. The problem was that we had no retired musicians or music teachers to call on. Our solution was collaborative research. Each member of the groups takes a turn at researching and presenting a composer or theme to the rest of the group, drawing support as necessary from other members. Resources are readily available through the internet and libraries. What we've found is that people enjoy putting in the time and effort to prepare a presentation and of course we get back from the group many times what we individually put in. We meet in houses to avoid having to lug equipment around and have grown to over 20 members, which means that we may soon have to consider splitting the group into two. For further information and reports of some of our presentations please see our web page <https://u3asites.org.uk/carlton-gedling/page/30314>. This works for classical music and now we use the same format

for our History Study and Science Groups. Paul Martinez (pkmartinez14@gmail.com)



NOTTS. NETWORK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To all Notts. Network Representatives and U3A Committees

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Notts. Network of U3As will take place on **Wednesday 25th October 2017 at 10am** at The Centre, St. Peter's Ravenshead, Notts. NG15 9FD. For more details please see your Notts Network Representative or contact Margaret Taylor at networkmtaylor@sherwoodu3a-mansfieldwoodhouse.org.uk

WORKSHOPS



Interest Groups Matter

At 10.30 am on Wednesday 1 November 2017 Find out how Interest Groups can be managed and how they can be run effectively. Discover answers to your Challenges. You'll be learning from each other in a focussed discussion environment. The day will be very participative and includes sharing best practice and exchanging ideas with other participants, discussion and problem-solving sessions.

Who should attend?

Group & Prospective Group Co-Ordinators, Group Convenors / Leaders / Facilitators

Venue The Summit Centre, Pavilion Rd, Kirkby in Ashfield

Timings 10.30 am to 3.30 am (4.00pm at the latest)

Cost The workshop is funded by the Third Age Trust, lunch and refreshments are provided

You will be able to book shortly.

THIRD AGE TRUST

The **National website** has now been relaunched and seems much easier to navigate. It has several new features including the first newsletter from Sam.

The 2017 Annual Conference and AGM was held in August and we will be seeing details in on the website and in TAM over the coming weeks and months. However, if you wish to watch the live stream of the second day of the conference you can find it on the new Website under Events—Conference—Live Stream. A very informative and entertaining talk on Gruesome Governance can be found 5 minutes into the video, and the AGM at the 2 hours point.